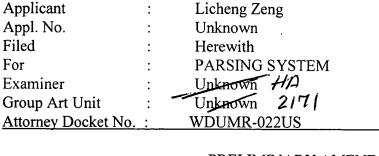
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-entitled application as detailed below. No new matter has been added.

## In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 3,10, 19-21, 24 and 29-35 as follows:

- 3. (Amended) A knowledge base for use in association with the system of Claim 1, said knowledge base analyzing said data at one or more predefined levels of analysis.
- 10. (Amended) knowledge The base of Claims 8 wherein said linguistic theory enables complete the representation all possible forms of said data.
- 19. (Amended) The method of Claim 13 wherein a best-first searching algorithm is utilized.

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